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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

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RE:

Site Inspection, Thomas American Stone, Peoa Blonde Quarry Mine,

S/043/012, Summit County, Utah

Date of Inspection: July 8, 1992 Time of Inspection: 1020 - 1120

Conditions:

Partly cloudy

Participants:

Tony Gallegos, DOGM

The purpose of this inspection was to evaluate the status of this small mining operation. No site inspection had been performed since the notice was received in March 1991. No one was present at the site, however, a pick-up and a small camp trailer were parked near by.

The site is accessed off of the paved road running through Browns Canyon. This site, as well as some older mine workings, are visible from the road. The mine itself is a cut into the hillside which exposes the sandstone beds and creates a working pad with a small talus slope to the north. The sandstone bedding is dipping away from the open cut, creating a highwall of 25-30 feet at an angle of approximately 60 degrees. The top of the hill is partially grubbed and there is a second cut above the main pad with a road wrapping around the east side of the hill.

There are signs of recent mining activity, as well as a small dozer onsite. Total estimated disturbance for this site is approximately 2 acres. This estimate includes the main pad, the second smaller pad, the grubbed area on the hilltop, the main access road and the road wrapping around to the smaller pad. Signs were posted indicating private property and a mining hazard, although they were not highly visible.

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